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COOPERATIVE LEADERSHIP CAMP 2023

Local student attends summer leadership camp

[CAMP MONROE, NC, June 26-30, 2023] High school students from across the state were sponsored by local cooperatives to attend a leadership camp focused on the principles of a cooperative business. The Cooperative Council of North Carolina hosted the 5-day overnight camp at Camp Monroe in Laurel Hill, NC.

Campers work, and play, hard all week to learn the importance and benefits of the cooperative movement with hands-on workshops led by cooperative businesses across NC; focusing on the 8 Cooperative Principles. Cooperative industries represented at Camp include electricity, telecommunications, food, marketing, insurance, credit unions and agriculture.

Cooperative Leadership Camp, also known as CLC, affords the student attendees the opportunity to work together to create a successful cooperative business, including holding their very own Meeting of the Members and producing a commemorative t-shirt.

In addition to cooperative education, Campers make lifelong connections with peers and co-op mentors. Plus, engaging in fun camp activities, including zip-lining, kayaking, swimming, paddleboarding, high-ropes climbing and much more, makes CLC an experience to never forget.

All students who attend Cooperative Leadership Camp are eligible to apply for CCNC's Jim Graham \$1,000 Scholarship during their senior year of high school. This scholarship is offered to a recipient that demonstrates an understanding of the cooperative movement, leadership, extracurricular activities, community involvement and demonstration of self motivation.

Cooperative Council of NC is honored to host CLC for more than seven generations and takes pride in molding future cooperative leaders. Visit www.ccnc.coop to learn more and nominate deserving high school students for the 2024 Cooperative Leadership Camp.

[Cooperative Council of NC's mission is to educate, connect and promote cooperatives.]

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(attachment: **8 Cooperative Principles**)

8 Cooperative Principles

1. Voluntary & Open Membership
2. Democratic Member Control
3. Member Economic Participation
4. Autonomy & Independence
5. Education, Training & Information
6. Cooperation Among Cooperatives
7. Concern for Community
8. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion